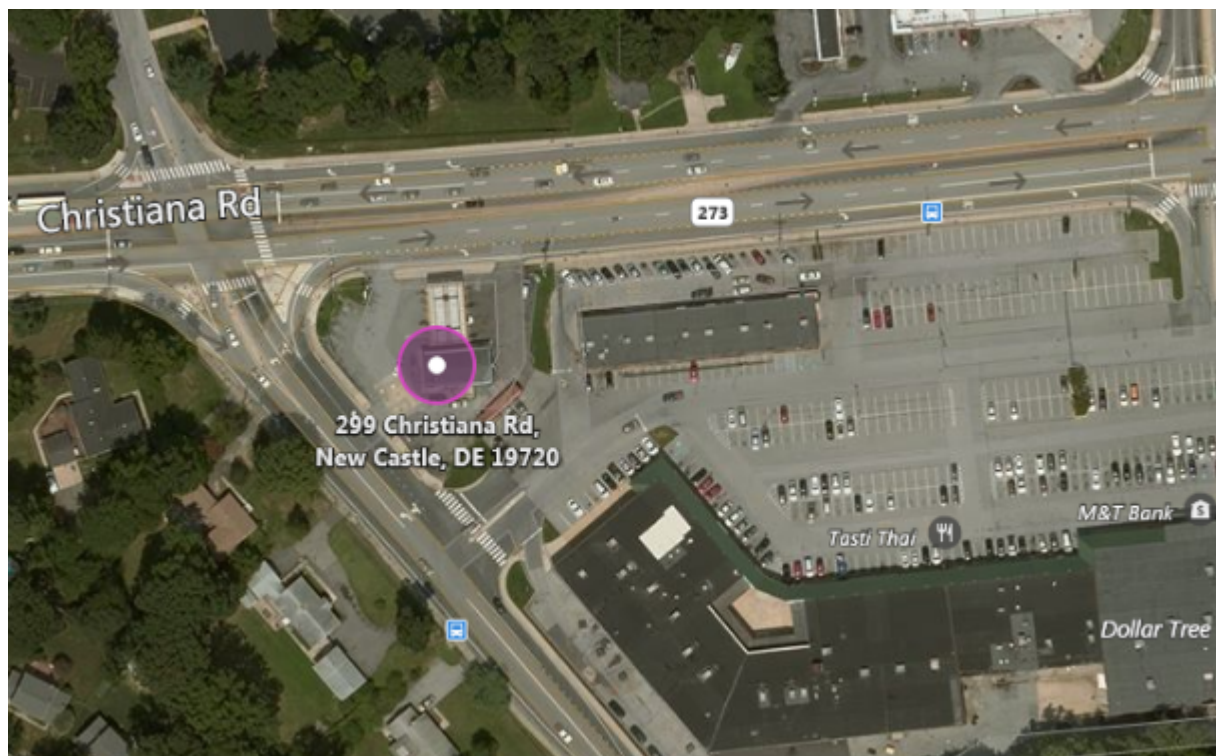


# Troopers Investigating Robbery Attempt-New Castle



***New Castle (19720)***- Delaware State Police are investigating the attempted armed robbery of a Newark woman that occurred last evening.

The incident occurred on Thursday, April 5, 2018 at approximately 6:38 p.m. at the Shell Gas Station, located at 299 Christiana Road. The victim, a 28-year-old female, had just finished fueling her vehicle up at the gas pumps. She proceeded to retrieve her wallet off the trunk of her vehicle where she had placed it, when a subject was simultaneously reaching for it. The victim was able to grab her wallet and enter her vehicle, locking the doors. The suspect approached the drivers side door, displayed a handgun, and began banging on the window. The victim was able to drive off in her vehicle unharmed. Also present in the victim's vehicle during this incident were her four children ranging from 10 months to 11 years old who were unharmed.

The suspect was described as a light skinned black male, in his 40's, approximately 6'03" tall, 250 lbs., wearing light colored pants, a dark colored sweatshirt and a dark colored baseball hat.

No surveillance photos are available at this time.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to please contact the Troop 2 Robbery Unit at 302-365-8566.

Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at [debra.reed@delaware.gov](mailto:debra.reed@delaware.gov).

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